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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Jay M. Short  
Serial No. : 09/594,459  
Filing Date : June 14, 2000  
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Examiner : H. Park  
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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

This is a Request for Continued Examination of the above-identified application. A Notice of Allowance was mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 26, 2002 including a Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) and a Notice of Allowability was issued in connection with the above-identified application. The issue fee is due June 26, 2002. Therefore, this Request is being timely filed. Authorization is hereby given for the amount of \$370.00 to be deducted from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the following documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Applicant requests that these documents be made of record in the subject application. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO Form 1449 with the next Patent Office Communication.

**Conclusion**

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the above-identified application, applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone her at the number provided below.

No fees other than the RCE filing fees are believed to be due in connection with this RCE and Supplemental IDS. However, the Commissioner is authorized to debit any necessary fee or credit any overpayment relating to this application to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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